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MEMORANDUM FOR: The National Foreign Intelligence Council

SUBJECT: CIPC Study on Narcotics

At our Friday meeting (1330 hours, CHB) on the subject study, in addition to discussing any comments you might have, I would like to offer the following observations:

- I don't think the DCI should seek from the President a national-level policy statement on narcotics intelligence -- given the priority efforts going on in the Vice President's office, this Administration's policy should be clear (page 5, paragraph 1)
- Regarding the first paragraph under HUMINT collection on page 5, I understand that CIA and NSA are coordinating collection in the field and that problems between DEA and CIA have been solved.
- Having the NIO review DEA, Customs and Coast Guard production schedules may stretch the NIO's authorities somewhat (see page 6). Instead, we might borrow the HUMINT Committee's tack of advising these organizations what production we would find useful.
- Instead of requesting law enforcement organizations to refine their requirements (see page 7, paragraph 3), I would prefer checking to see that they are comfortable about the mechanism available to them to task the Community for intelligence.
- I do not think a full-time NIO for Narcotics is necessary at this time (page 9, paragraph 7). We can always revisit this possibility as developments warrant.


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- Ad hoc training for the NNBIS is taking place now. We need to ensure that we maintain appropriate legal distance between law enforcement agencies and the Intelligence Community (page 9, paragraph 8).
- I don't think we need another center to manage the narcotics intelligence effort (page 10, paragraph 2).
- The Working Group should be able to finish up its work in six months. I don't think it should continue as a permanent subcommittee of the CIPC (page 10, paragraph 4), but we can also reconsider this if necessary.



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